MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether there is any rule that the persons who are appointed as clerks should pass the Anchal Test examination?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Before they are confirmed, they have to pass the examination.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether there is any other permanent peon in the department who has acted as Anchal Master?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There may be several persons.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether there is any one who has put in longer service than Mr. Cyriac?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): I have no information.

Promotions and confirmations in the Anchal Department.

111. *MR K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether, in the Anchal Department, they consider seniority in acting service as claim for seniority for confirmation and promotion in service;

(*b*) if so, whether the present Anchal Superintendent observes that principle in cases of promotion and confirmation in the Anchal Department; and

(*c*) if not, why not?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Seniority in acting service alone does not entitle a subordinate to confirmation and promotion. Passing of the Anchal Test, higher qualifications, efficiency, readiness to furnish security and service in the executive line are also taken into consideration for confirmation and promotion.

(*b*) & (*c*) These do not arise in view of the answer given to (*a*).

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): With regard to the answer to part (*b*), may I know, Sir, whether all the qualifications mentioned in part (*a*) have been strictly observed by the Anchal Superintendent in the appointments, confirmations and promotions that he has made?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*); I believe so.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether the member is in a positions to say 'yes' or 'no, definitely to that question?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): As far as Government are aware, these rules are followed.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether Government enquired into that matter or called for a report from the Anchal Superintendent with regard to it?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No complaint has been received.

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether in view of the question that we have given notice of, Government called for any information on this point?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon I*): May I know, Sir, whether, from that, Government are in a position to say that the Anchal Superintendent has been considering all these principles enunciated in the answer to part (*a*)?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Sub-Registry Office at Warkala.

112. ✻**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is a proposal to abolish the Sub-Registry Office at Warkala; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the grounds for the proposed action?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*);

(*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*), this does not arise.

Navaikulam Sub-Registry Office.

113. ✻**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before them to transfer the Navaikulam Sub-Registry Office to Warkala or to any other place; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the reasons for the proposal?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to (*a*), this does not arise.

Village Panchayat Court at Navaikulam.

114. ✻**MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation regarding the opening of a Village Panchayat Court at Navaikulam; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken in the matter?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know the Civil Court to which the people of Navaikulam have to go to file suits?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Governmen*): I believe there is a Munsiff's Court at Attingal.

MR S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know the distance from Navaikulam to Attingal?

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